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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING PRECISE

Title:

CONTROL OF MAGNETIC COUPLING FIELD IN NiMn TOP

SPIN VALVE HEADS AND AMPLITUDE ENHANCEMENT

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence and the papers, as described hereinabove, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on August 14.

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to file the attached <u>Preliminary Amendment</u> with Request for Continued Examinaiton (RCE). Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0996 (IBMS.034US01) in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the extension fee for a large entity, with authorization to charge/credit additional fees/overages to the above-referenced Deposit Account.

Respectfully Submitted,

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